From: Shelly

To: Microsoft ATR

Date: 1/26/02 2:11pm

Subject: Microsoft Settlement

Dear Senators Specter and Santorum,

I am writing today to voice my opinion on the Microsoft antitrust case. This case has been going on far too long and further litigation will only stall our economy and the IT industry, which is clearly the last thing we need. The Federal Government should focus their efforts to more pertinent matters.

My husband worked in the steel industry for 37 years, expecting to still be working. His company closed, he was forced into retirement and now is in jeopardy of losing his pension. We don't know what we are going to do. We were looking to the government for help. Shouldn't the government try to help companies instead of trying to destroy them?

Microsoft has done more for this economy in the last decade than anyone or anything else. I urge you to please do your best to put a stop to any further litigation and advance the current settlement that is in place. Don't let happen to Microsoft what happened to the steel industry. This settlement will benefit the economy and the technology industry. Thank you for your time.

Sincerely,

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